

CHAPTER 7.

UNIFORM ALLOWANCE

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7-01 PURPOSE.

This Chapter describes procedures for payment of uniform allowances to NOAA Commissioned Officers (i.e., NOAA Corps Officers).

7-02 AUTHORITY.

Authority for uniform allowances is contained in 5 U.S.C. 5901 and Department of Commerce Administrative Order 202-594, "Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act." The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) may establish a higher maximum amount under 5 U.S.C. 5902.

7-03 PAYMENT.

NOAA Corps Officers on active duty September 30 each year, except as indicated below, will receive a \$400 uniform allowance. This annual allowance, to be paid in October, is based on twelve (12) months of service and is not prorated for lesser periods of service. Newly appointed officers will receive their initial uniform allowance upon appointment, rather than the following October. If a newly appointed officer separates from the NOAA Corps with less than twelve (12) months active duty, the initial uniform allowance will not be recovered.

7-04 RECORDS.

The Commissioned Personnel Center, Office of NOAA Corps Operations, will maintain records of uniform allowances authorized for NOAA Corps officers.

7-05 EFFECT ON OTHER ISSUANCES.

This Chapter supersedes Chapter 7 of the *NOAA Finance Handbook*, dated May 5, 1990, in its entirety.